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1. [ ] ship was in the port of Ventspils in late March 1954. [ ] wharfs on the north side of the river, and [ ] these wharfs were in good condition. The wharfs were located at the western end of this area, and the rest of the area had only wooden bridges (sic).
2. A high tower was under construction just north of the bend in the river opposite the church and the harbor ferry slip. [ ] it would be a water tower when it was completed.
3. [ ] ship berthed on the northwest side of the river, just beyond the bend in the river. The ship's cargo was unloaded directly into reefer cars. There was no special refrigeration warehouse at this location but there was a low shed-like warehouse.
4. [ ] a total of eight cranes in the area [ ] operated on rails along the dock. One of the cranes was very heavy and was larger than the other seven cranes.
5. [ ] A Polish steamer, whose home port was Gdynia, was also unloading a cargo of meat [ ]

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